

## CONTINUE GRIM WORK

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### PATNETIC SCENES ABOUT MORGUE.

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From Shaft—Families of Dead in Need  
Help Will Be Provided.

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 26.—Work at the Braznell mines is progressing very slowly. The country roads from Brownsville to the mine are almost impassable and there is no telegraph or telephone connection with Brownsville, so all news from the mines has to be brought overland. Four more bodies have been recovered, but not identified. Some of the families of the doomed men are in a suffering condition and provisions are being sent out from Brownsville merchants, as well as from Uniontown.

The revised list of the recovered dead, numbering fifteen, and those missing and almost absolutely certain to be in the mine is as follows: Andrew Ragships, John Pokella, Michael Harbeck, Andrew Parabeke, George Roselko, Henry Haggar, Peter Crosier, William Thomas, Michael Magie, George Kovitz, Joseph Patsky, Joseph Haggar.

Known to be missing: John Budas, John Logos, George Wasilko, Andrew Torsizki, Joseph Podolovsky, James Jokaleisky, Andrew Yaminsky, George Vosyko, Andrew Rapsch.

The men who have been working since Saturday to recover the bodies are almost exhausted, yet they refuse to give up and keep at the grim work doggedly, though more dead than alive.

The fact that last Saturday was pay day at the mine and that there were no empty wagons to load accounts for many not going into the mine that morning. Had the accident occurred any other day there would have been more than 100 men in the mine and the result would have been even more appalling than it is.

The scene about the morgue yesterday and last night were such as to bring tears to many a stout heart. As the burned and bleeding bodies were carried from the shaft wives and children would fight frantically to get to the corpses and when held back by strong arms would weep pitifully and plead to be allowed to enter the morgue and find their lost ones. It is an occurrence that can never be forgotten by any one who witnessed it. Some of the bodies have been removed to their homes and will be buried today.

A pathetic story is told of little Albert Meese, who died after being rescued. He lived only a few steps from the shaft. He went to the window Saturday morning and looked out, saying to his father:

"Papa, I guess there is no use of me going to work this morning, as there is no loading."

The father said he had better go and help him feed the mules. They both started out together and never returned to their home alive again.

Sad, sad is the Christmas day to many a family about Brownsville. In fact, the excitement caused by the terrible accident has driven all thought of the holiday festivities from the homes of all who live in the neighborhood, even those who have no friends killed. The search for the bodies still goes on.

The mine officials admit that two or more bodies are still in the mine, but representatives of the Slavonic society have made a house-to-house canvass and report that eight of their number alone are in the wreck and how many others they do not know.

### YOUNG MILITARY GOVERNOR.

To Control Provinces of Northwestern Luzon With Headquarters at Vigan.

MANILA, Dec. 26.—General Young has been appointed military governor of the province of northwestern Luzon, with headquarters at Vigan. His command includes the Thirty-third infantry, under Colonel Luther Hare, and the Third cavalry. He will establish stations at San Fernando and Loaga, with outposts wherever needed.

The Sixteenth infantry will proceed to Aparri, garrisoning such towns as may be deemed necessary in the provinces of Cagayan, Isabela and Neuvo Viscaya, of which Colonel Hood has been appointed military governor.

General Young and Colonel Hood are establishing civil municipal governments and the ports in northern Luzon will be open for trade about January 1.

### AMERICAN COAL FOR GENOA.

Italian Ship Loading at Philadelphia—Third Shipment in Month.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The Italian steamship Venus, Captain Trapani, has arrived from Ancona in ballast to load upward of 5,000 tons of coal for Genoa. This will be the third shipment of this kind within the period of a month. It is stated that 50,000 tons of coal will be shipped from here to Italy for use on the railroads.

American coal is also being exported to French Mediterranean ports and the British steamship Inca will soon begin loading 4,000 tons at Newport News for Marseilles.

### A Hot Minnesota Fire.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 26.—A Hastings, Minn., special to the Dispatch says: Nearly three blocks of buildings in the business portion of the town, principally fronting on Vermillion street, was burned with a loss of about \$200,000. The fire broke out in R. C. Libby & Co.'s sawmill. It was evidently the work of an incendiary. The entire plant, with planing mill, storehouses, lumber, office, sheds, etc., were consumed. One million and a half feet of upper grade lumber were also burned.

## OPPOSES THE TREATY.

Reciprocity Treaty With the Argentine Republic Excites Opposition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—There is little to be considered opposition on the part of western senators, and especially from those living in cattle and wool producing states, against ratification of the reciprocity treaty between the Argentine Republic and the United States. Under the terms of this convention ratification must take place before March 1 and friends of the measure are already commencing to "count noses" in an endeavor to ascertain whether they have votes enough to force ratification in the senate.

The treaty reduces the tariff on wool and hides imported from Argentina 20 per cent and this enormous reduction is what is organizing opposition to the measure. Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, Iowa, Texas and the Dakotas are vitally interested in this question, as they represent the cattle producing and wool growing interests of the United States. Nebraska is becoming so large a factor in the feeding of sheep that it can with entire justice be classed as a wool-producing state.

Argentina is one of the largest producers of wool in the world, statistics of last year showing that the republic had 75,000,000 sheep within its borders. Under normal conditions Argentine exports to the United States from 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 pounds of wool per annum, but the immense foreign demand of last year cut this yearly exportation to 6,000,000 pounds. Even though our importation showed a falling off from 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 pounds of wool, shepherds and wool growers are up in arms against this feature of the treaty between Argentina and the United States and they say unless something is done for their protection the wool-growers and hide-growers' industry of the country will be ruined.

According to a ruling just made by Internal Revenue Commissioner G. W. Wilson, receipts for the monthly dues and assessments in fraternal life insurance companies are not required to have stamps when cashed by banks. This matter came up for decision through William F. Sharp, illustrations protector of the Royal Highlanders of Aurora, Neb., and was presented to the commissioner by Congressman Stark. It appears that J. E. Houtz, collector of internal revenue for the Nebraska district, refused to recognize the ruling made by Acting Commissioner William Wilson in October last touching on this same point, which complicated matters to such an extent that an appeal was taken to Commissioner Wilson. The latter, after inquiring into the merits of the case, issued an order to Collector Houtz that the former ruling of his office must stand and that he should forthwith inform his deputies to this effect.

This ruling affects all fraternal organizations having life insurance attached to membership.

### COMMAND BOER POSITION.

British Naval Guns Make It Unpleasant for the Enemy.

MODDER RIVER, Cape Colony, Wednesday, Dec. 27.—The British naval guns command the whole Boer position and possess the exact range of every stone and bush. They frequently plant shells with good advantage in the midst of groups of Boers.

The burghers are reported to be returning home for Christmas. Recent arrivals from Jacobsdal report that notwithstanding the Boer successes the Free Staters to not expect ultimate victory. They complain of the overbearing conduct of General Cronje's men, who are alleged to be better fed and posted in the safest positions.

The Transvaalers do not conceal their suspicions of the possible defection of the Free Staters and threaten to shoot them at the least sign of wavering. The Free Staters are said to regard subjection to the Transvaal as more to be feared than subjection to Great Britain.

### Withdraw to the Mountains.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—A special to the Record from Austin, Tex., says: A dispatch from Guaymas, state of Sonora, Mex., says that the forces of Yaqui Indians that has been harassing General Torres' troops for the last few weeks has withdrawn into the mountains. The Indians divide into small bands at night and make raids on unprotected ranches and scouting parties of government troops. Many valuable ranch buildings belonging to Mexicans who had left the country with their families to avoid being killed have been burned.

### Disease Worse Than Guns.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: The Ladysmith list shows that typhoid fever and dysentery are more effective than the Boers' artillery in reducing their strength of the garrison day by day. It is clear that General Buller will renew the attempt to relieve Ladysmith while Lord Roberts is on the sea. He is receiving reinforcements and fresh batteries and ought to be in a position to reopen hostilities in a week or ten days, unless he waits for the siege train.

### One of the Rothschilds Volunteers.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Mr. Lionel Walter Rothschild, unionist member of Parliament for the Aylesbury district of Buckinghamshire, eldest son of the first Baron Rothschild and the latter's heir, has volunteered for service in South Africa. He was born in 1863 and is unmarried.

### Philippines Attack the Garrison.

MANILA, Dec. 27.—General Santa Ana, with a force of insurgents estimated at 300 attacked the garrison at Subig yesterday. A body of marines were sent from Olongapo to reinforce the garrison and the Philippines were driven back, several being killed. There were no casualties on the American side.

A company of the Forty-sixth volunteer infantry, together with a contingent of marines, has been sent from Manila to reinforce the Subig garrison still further.

## LOSS WAS NOT GREAT

Expense of Reconstructing the Burned Penitentiary Annex.

### WILL COST STATE ABOUT \$5,000.

The Engines and Most of the Machinery Left in Very Good Condition—Auditor Cornell Still Undecided as to How He Will Act Regarding Appropriations—Miscellaneous Notes.

LINCOLN, Dec. 28.—The cost of reconstructing and refitting the manufacturing building at the state penitentiary recently destroyed by fire will not amount to as much as was at first estimated. The engines and most of the machinery belonging to the state were left in good condition and after a few slight repairs will be as serviceable as before. Warden Hopkins estimates that the loss to the state will not amount to much more than \$5,000.

The reconstruction of the building was begun a few days ago and will probably be completed within another week. New machinery for the laundry and shoe shop has been purchased at a cost of \$2,000. The material for the building will cost about \$2,000, most of which has already been purchased. As the work is done by convicts, no further outlay is necessary.

In recognition of the services of the Lincoln fire department in fighting the fire at the penitentiary Land Commissioner Wolfe presented to Chief Clement, on behalf of the state, a warrant for \$100 to be divided among the firemen.

### Cornell and Weaver Act.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 28.—Auditor Cornell is still undecided as to what course he will pursue regarding the appropriations for the offices created by the Weaver act. The restoration of the insurance supervision to the auditor will necessitate employing two or three more clerks in his office and there is strong doubt as to whether there are any funds available for their salaries. Auditor Cornell has announced that he will not touch the appropriations unless assured by some legal authority that he has a right to do so and he has intimated that he may submit the question to the supreme court to be on the safe side.

The books and records of the governor's insurance commission will probably be turned over to the auditor some time this week. All applications to that office for licenses and letters concerning the insurance supervision are returned to Mr. Bryant with the information that his office has been knocked out by the supreme court.

### Factory Ready to Start.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 28.—The Standard Beet Sugar company of Ames has lately been furnishing the Norfolk factory with enough beets to run on, but has now shut off all shipments and will work the balance of the crop itself, the factory being now about completed. Beets will be run through the factory in a few days to test the machinery and about the day after New Year's the company will start taking in beets. A great many beets have been shipped out of the district, as the company was anxious to relieve those who feared the risk of holding their product. The supply will, however, run the Ames factory about three months.

### A Strong Vein of Coal.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—P. McDonald, fuel purchasing agent for the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company, made an investigation of the coal discovery which has been made across the Missouri river near Jackson, Neb. He pronounced the vein a good, strong one. He made a close investigation of the drillings and strata and told Riley & McBride, the operators, that by all means they should develop the mine. The trouble has been with water getting into the shaft. A centrifugal pump was put in and now it may be possible to keep the water pumped out so that drilling may be done to an advantage.

### Woman Badly Burned.

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 28.—A serious accident happened on the farm of Franz Marxmeyer, one-half mile east of St. Charles church, by which Mrs. Marxmeyer may lose her life. She was in the yard burning the small feathers off some chickens which she had killed, with hay, and in some manner her dress became ignited and was nearly burned off her body. In her battle with the flames she inhaled some of the flame and her recovery is doubtful.

### Death of R. G. Work.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Dec. 28.—One of Johnson county's pioneer citizens, R. G. Work, died very suddenly of heart failure, aged seventy-one years. Mr. Work was a native of Pennsylvania but had been a resident of this city for over thirty years. He was considered one of the county's most wealthy men and owned large real estate interests here. He leaves a widow and a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his death.

### Bridegroom Falls to Appear.

SUTTON, Neb., Dec. 28.—All last summer Rens Pickard worked for James Conns, a farmer south of town. Announcement was given and great preparations were made at the Conns' for the wedding of their youngest daughter to the young gentleman. When the Rev. Mr. Smith was informed to be ready to go with young Pickard, it was found that the young man's whereabouts were unknown. He had previously sent word that his presence would be impossible at the wedding. Much feeling is provoked, as the girl and parents are highly thought of.

## DROGGED A MILE BY RUNAWAY.

Bachelor Farmer's Mangled Body Found and Inquest Held.

STOCKVILLE, Neb., Dec. 30.—The mangled body of a man was found nine miles southwest of Eustis, Mr. E. S. Chase, the corner of Frontier county, was notified and impounded a body consisting of H. A. Bennett, J. W. Franklin, S. P. Connor, I. M. Adams, C. C. Stumbaugh and Nelson Ballant.

Thirteen witnesses were examined and it developed that the man was Gus Lenz, a German bachelor about 40 years of age, living alone on his farm southwest of Eustis. He left Eustis about midnight Saturday. His body was found off the main road near his house. Several bloody tracks were found in the road, one wagon wheel being covered with blood. The horse evidently ran away, catching Lenz in the wheel of the cart, by which he was dragged three-quarters of a mile. His face was badly torn, his nose broken, apparently by a kick of the horse, and his scalp torn entirely loose from the neck to the top of the head.

The jury returned a verdict that the death was accidental, resulting from injuries to the head and neck from the runaway.

## ONE RANCHMAN SHOTS ANOTHER.

Joseph Kime Inflicts a Mortal Wound Upon C. E. Clough.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Dec. 30.—Joseph Kime and C. E. Clough, two prominent ranchmen living not far from this place, had a quarrel and as a result Clough lies in a precarious condition with a wound in his neck fired from a revolver in the hands of Kime. Kime has been placed under arrest. Details of the tragedy are difficult to obtain, but it is known that the two men came to words over some ranch affairs and that during the altercation Kime drew his gun and fired, the bullet taking effect in Clough's neck, inflicting a mortal wound. Clough fell to the ground and was taken later to his home, where everything possible was done to relieve him. He cannot recover. Both Kime and Clough are prominent in this locality and are over 60 years of age.

### Capital City Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 30.—Attorney General Smyth is considering the right of Auditor Cornell to the insurance appropriations and an opinion is promised within the next few days. Governor Poynter has appointed John Zeller of Omaha to the position of state inspector of grains to take the place of James Jones, resigned.

Wilbur F. Bryant submitted to Governor Poynter his report of insurance business transacted in accordance with the provisions of the Weaver act. It shows that 863 certificates were issued by his department. During the same period the state auditor issued 431 certificates.

The trades unions of South Omaha have filed a protest with the adjutant general against the location of a militia company at that place. It is urged that the Omaha Guards furnish sufficient protection.

### Ex-Gov. Furnas Married.

BROWNVILLE, Neb., Dec. 30.—Mr. Robert W. Furnas and Mrs. Susannah E. Jameson were united in marriage at high noon Christmas. The wedding, which was a very quiet one, took place at the home of the bride, Rev. James M. Darby of the Methodist Episcopal church of this city officiating. Only a few relatives of the contracting parties were present, among whom were: Paul Jameson of Fort Worth, Tex.; John S. Furnas and wife and Mrs. Edward E. Lowman and husband, son and daughter of the groom.

The wedding services were short but impressive, after which the party drove to the residence of the groom, where his daughter, Mr. Lowman, served a his daughter, Mrs. Lowman, served a

### Nebraska & Gulf Promoters.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 30.—The organization and preparation for the Nebraska & Gulf railroad is progressing rapidly. Twenty miles of right of way has been purchased or donated and surveyors are already at work. Stock to the amount of \$25,000 has been sold. The temporary officers of the company are: President, R. A. Beatty; vice president, J. S. Freeman; general manager, C. J. Rundell; treasurer and secretary, E. B. Hutton; general solicitor, J. B. Cessna. The directors are J. B. Keedle, T. D. Mines, J. B. Cessna, C. J. Rundell, C. W. Stewart, R. A. Beatty and H. S. Duncan.

### To Determine Thompson's Sanity.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Dec. 30.—H. C. Thompson, the agent of the Missouri Pacific at Talmage, who disappeared a few days ago and later was found in Omaha, was brought here by Sheriff Brown. The railroad company brought suit in attachment against Thompson and the Bank of Talmage to recover \$200. Thompson was placed in the county jail and will be given a hearing before the Board of Insanity Commissioners.

### Panic at an Entertainment.

BERTRAND, Neb., Dec. 30.—A panic occurred at a hall just at the close of an entertainment given by a medicine show, caused by the upsetting of a lamp on the stage. The hall was packed, and men, women and children rushed for the door. Luckily the flames were quickly extinguished and no one was seriously injured.

### Golden Wedding Anniversary.

BRUNING, Neb., Dec. 30.—There has just occurred here the fiftieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Grone, sr., a venerable and highly respected couple of this place. Nearly 200 invited guests assembled at Bowman's hall, and when Mr. and Mrs. Grone, who had been to Hebron, returned they were induced to appear there, where many costly presents were made them and a banquet served later on. The occasion is considered by all to have been a fitting testimonial to these estimable old people.

## HOW ABOUT THE ORDER

The State Board of Transportation Asked for Information.

### AS TO RAILROAD FREIGHT CASE.

The Attorney General Sends a Communication to the Secretaries Telling Them to Secure Evidence and He Will at Once Begin Prosecution Against the Railroads.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 25.—Attorney General Smyth has requested the secretaries of the State Board of Transportation to furnish his department with evidence that their order of 1897, which is still in effect, has or is being violated. The railroads doing business in Nebraska abandoned on December 1 the system of figuring stock rates by the carload and one the same day substituted the 100-pound rates, which, according to the findings of the secretaries of the Board of Transportation, was really an increase. The railroads made a similar change in 1897, but were forced to restore the old rates by an order of the Board of Transportation. The order still stands against the railroads and they are subject to a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000 for each violation.

Attorney General Smyth filed the following communication with the secretaries of the board, requesting the press to give it the date of December 19:

"LINCOLN, Dec. 19.—To the Board of Secretaries, State Board of Transportation: Gentlemen—You, through your chairman, Hon. J. W. Edgerton, have stated to me that the railroad companies doing business in this state abandoned on December 1 carload rates per 100 pounds and thereby very considerably increased rates in that respect; that during the summer of 1897 the same companies made an attempt to make the same change; that complaint was made to you by the shippers of the state; that you investigated the matter, all the companies being present and participating in the investigation, and, that, as a result of that investigation, you made an order directing the maintaining of carload rates and forbidding the companies to substitute for them rates per 100 pounds; that by the action of the companies on December 1, referred to above, that order has been violated and is now being violated and you ask me what remedy, if any, the state has in the premises.

"The statute seems to provide but one remedy in this case. Section 9 of article viii of chapter xli declares in effect, that if any railroad company shall refuse to obey an order of the board it shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000 for each violation of the order.

"Section 16 provides that where the company refuses, after having received notice, to answer and an order of the board is made, that an injunction may be obtained to prevent the disobedience of the order.

"Section 17 provides that where an order is made by the board adverse to the railroad company and an appeal is taken by the company to the district court such order may be made by the court as the law shall warrant.

"In the case now under consideration I think that the only remedy which can be availed of by the board is that provided by section 9, to-wit: An action to recover in the name of the state the fine imposed by that section.

"Therefore, procure, if you have not already done so, the evidence showing a violation of the board's order, lay that evidence before me and this office will take action promptly to recover the penalties imposed by the statute. Very truly yours,

C. J. SMYTH, Attorney General.

### Brings Suit Against Banks.

COLUMBUS, Neb., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Emma F. Tannahill has brought suit in the district court, through her attorney, J. N. Killan, against three banks of this city and Henry Ragatz to restrain them from selling her dower interest in her husband's property for which they have secured a judgment and order for sale. Mrs. Tannahill seeks protection by bringing suit against these creditors, claiming homestead rights to the property, inasmuch as she has resided on it for ten years and will continue to do so. Mrs. Tannahill is the wife of John Tannahill, who left last October after, it is alleged, forging the names of a number of prominent business men, and who has not since been heard from.

### Free Silver Republicans.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 23.—Chairman J. N. Lyman has issued a call for a meeting of the free silver republican committee at Lincoln January 4 at 8 p. m. to consider the time and place for holding the state convention for the election of delegates to a national convention which they propose to hold next year. An effort is being made by the Lancaster county democrats to have the conventions of the three fusion parties held in Lincoln March 19, Bryan's birthday. This would necessitate holding another convention later in the year for nominating state officers.

### Law Presumes Him Dead Now.

FREMONT, Neb., Dec. 25.—Andrew Moline, a farmer of Logan township, mysteriously disappeared in October, 1892, and no trace has been obtained of him. He left some real estate in this county and other property. The county court has appointed Charles Moline administrator of the estate on the theory that, not having been heard from for seven years, the law presumes him dead. But one other case of that kind has ever occurred here and that is now pending in the district court.

Queen Victoria's chocolate is off for South Africa. Seven railways pressed for the honor of carrying it to Southampton, where it was taken aboard-ship. The design was chosen E.T.A.O. ship. The design of the boxes containing the chocolate was chosen by the queen. The background is red, and there is a border of blue. On the left is the monogram V. R. I., surmounted by a crown. In the center there is a bust of her majesty, and on the right are the words, "South Africa." Below, in fac-simile of the queen's handwriting the words: "I wish you a happy New Year, Victoria, R. I."

### A Boston Man Pleased.

In conversation with some friends, a prominent Boston man told of his sufferings from rheumatism and nervousness, and one of his friends gave him some advice, which will be mentioned later, and which has proven to be of incalculable value.

To successfully act on this advice, it was necessary to make a trip of over 2,000 miles, but he undertook it, and now thanks his friend for the advice, as he finds himself fully relieved of his old trouble and has returned to his home feeling able to cope with his business demands, a new man.

The advice given was to go to "Hot Springs," South Dakota, and there take the baths and enjoy the finest climate of any health resort in America.

If this man was satisfied after making a long trip, those residing within a few hundred miles and similarly afflicted can certainly afford to try it, or rather can't afford to neglect to try it.

Ask any agent of the North-Western Line for full particulars, or write J. R. HUGHAN, General Passenger Agent, F. E. & M. V. R. R., Omaha, Neb.

### New Inventions.

Last week 459 patents were issued to United States inventors, and of this number 37 per cent were either partly or entirely sold before they were issued. Amongst the prominent manufacturing concerns who purchased patents were the following:

Dempster Manufacturing Co., Des Moines, Ia.,  
Fitzgerald Meat Tree Co., Chicago, Ill.,  
Guthman Torpedo Gun Co., Chicago, Ill.,  
Gates Iron Works, Chicago, Ill.,  
Oakman Motor Vehicle Co., Chicago, Ill.,  
United Coke and Gas Co., Philadelphia, Pa.,  
Page Woven Wire Fence Co., Adrian, Mich.,  
Nordlinger Fire Works Co., New York City,  
Vaughan Machine Co., Portland, Me.,  
Union Cash Register Mfg. Co., Trenton, N. J.,  
Inventors desiring free information as to the best methods of procuring and protecting patents should address Sues & Co., Patent Lawyers and Solicitors, Bee Bldg., Omaha, Neb.

### Half Rates South via Omaha and St. Louis and Wabash Routes.

On the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month the above lines will sell home-seekers tickets to southern points for one fare (plus \$2.00) round trip.

WINTER TOURIST RATES now on sale to Hot Springs, Ark., and all the winter resorts at greatly reduced rates.

Remember the O. & St. L. and Wabash, the shortest and quickest route to St. Louis.

Remember the O. & St. L. and O. K. C. & E. is the shortest route to Quincy. Unexcelled service to Kansas City and the south.

For rates, sleeping car accommodation and all information call at the QUINCY ROUTE OFFICE, 1415 Farman St. (corner Hotel block) or write Harry E. Moore, City Passenger and Ticket Agent, Omaha, Neb.

### Important Inventions.

Patents have been allowed upon applications prepared and prosecuted by us for interesting subjects as follows:

To C. W. Cross, of Grinnell, for an auxiliary air heater adapted to be connected with a stove in such a manner that it will receive and direct the products of combustion and aid in warming and circulating air in a room, as required to maintain a uniform temperature, by admitting cool air at its bottom, heating it and discharging it at its top. An undivided half is assigned to W. S. More of same place.

To J. Morgan, of Atlantic for a plant planting machine adapted to be advanced across a field by horses to set out cabbage and tobacco plants in rows at regular distances apart. A boy on the machine handles plants in succession to automatic plant holders on a wheel and as the wheel revolves it places the plants in a furrow in advance of the wheel by a furrow opener and furrow closers immediately cover the roots and rollers pack the ground around the roots. An undivided half has been assigned to E. Whitney, of Chicago.

Printed consultation and advice free. THOMAS G. ORWIG & CO., Registered Patent Attorneys, Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 27, 1899.

### Winter Excursions.

The Southern Pacific Company and its connections operate the best first and second-class service to California, Arizona, Texas and Mexico. Through Pullman Palace Sleepers and Tourist Sleepers from all principal eastern points. Personally conducted Tourist Excursions from Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Omaha, Kansas City, etc. For particulars and descriptive literature write W. G. Neimyer, Gen'l Western Agent, 235 Clark St., Chicago; W. H. Connor, Com'l Agent, Chamber Commerce Bldg., Cincinnati; Ohio, or W. J. Berg, Trav. Pass Agt., 229 Ellicott Sq., Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Frankland always wore spectacles. One day on Ludgate Hill a porter passing him was nearly pushed off the pavement by an unintentional motion of the doctor. The fellow, with characteristic insolence, exclaimed: "Damn your spectacles!" Frankland, smiling, observed: "It is not the first time they have saved my eyes."